

Media Advisory

DATE: Monday, December 1, 2008

CITY OF CINCINNATI WINTER OPERATIONS UPDATE

WEATHER STATUS: The National Weather Service is forecasting widespread snow showers today with total snow accumulation around an inch, near steady temperatures in the mid 30s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph with gusts up to 30 mph and a chance of snow of 100 percent. Tonight will be cloudy with snow showers likely in the evening...then a chance of snow showers after midnight with additional snow accumulation less than an inch and lows in the mid 20s with west winds 10 to 15 mph with gusts up to 30 mph and a chance of snow of 70 percent.

OPERATIONS STATUS: City employees will continue to monitor weather conditions through the evening and once temperatures begin to drop late tonight, crews will treat hills, bridges and slippery areas as needed.

If hazardous driving conditions do develop, citizens should use extreme caution when driving and watch for developing slick areas.

**NEXT INTERVIEW TIMEFRAME: 3:30PM – 5PM.
PLEASE CALL 352-NEWS TO SCHEDULE AN INTERVIEW.**

WINTER OPERATIONS FACTS & FIGURES:

- ❖ City will have 75 dump trucks and 30 pickup trucks for snow removal over the weekend.
- ❖ Salt on hand: 27,000 tons of salt in four salt domes.
- ❖ Geomelt (beet juice), calcium chloride and salt will be used during the storm to melt snow or ice precipitation.
- ❖ Remember bridges and overpasses freeze before roads.
- ❖ Motorists should allow extra driving time and use extreme caution.
- ❖ Citizens can reduce risk and assist snow removal efforts by parking off streets where possible.

Please call 591-6000 or visit our website at <http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov>, for more information.

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